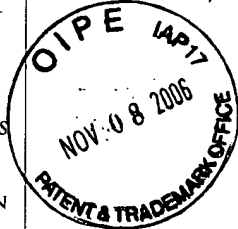


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PROBE CORRECTION FOR GENE EXPRESSION LEVEL
DETECTION
Our Ref. No. 1392/10/21 PCT/US

Sir:

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1. Response to Restriction Requirement (3 pages); and
2. A return-receipt postcard to be returned to our offices with the U.S. Patent and Trademark filing stamp thereon.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This is responsive to the Restriction/Election Requirement dated October 12, 2006, having a 1-month term for Response that expires on November 12, 2006.

Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Election and Remarks.

RESTRICTION PRESENTED

The claims have been restricted into the following groups of inventions:

<u>Groups</u>	<u>Claims</u>	<u>Subject Matter</u>
I	1-6	A method of correcting oligo probes.
II	7	An apparatus for correcting oligo probes.
III	8-14	A method of obtaining correction coefficients for probes.
IV	15-26	A computer-implemented method for using correction coefficients.
V	27	A computer readable medium.
VI	28	A system that uses correction coefficients.

APPLICANTS' ELECTION

Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, claims 1-6, drawn to A method of correcting oligo probes, for prosecution at this time. Applicants hereby reserve the right to file one or more divisional application(s) directed to the unelected subject matter.

REMARKS

Claims 1-28 are now pending in the subject U.S. patent application. Claims 1-28 as filed have been subjected to a Restriction/Election Requirement.

In response to the Restriction/Election Requirement, applicants have elected the claims of Group I, claims 1-6, for prosecution at this time.

CONCLUSIONS

Should there be any minor issues outstanding in this matter, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned attorney. Early passage of the subject application to issue is earnestly solicited.

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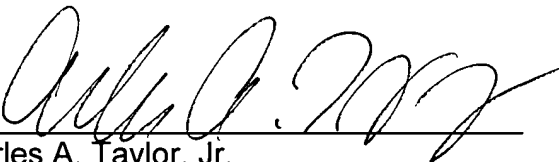
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